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Re App : Stephen Nuss
Serial No. : 09/760,136 : Examiner Pamela Lynn Wingood
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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment After Final (3pp.) in response to the Final Office Action dated April 22, 2003, in the above-identified patent application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees listed in 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-1265.

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Yours very truly,

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Amendment consisting of three (3) pages, a transmittal letter and a return receipt postcard for the application Serial No. 09/760,136 of inventor, Stephen Nuss, filed January 12, 2001, for "TITANIUM MOLYBDENUM ALLOY GUIDEWIRE" was deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: MAIL STOP AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. BOX 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on Tuesday, May 13, 2003.

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